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SOURCE:

1. The Pomeranian Low Tension Apparatus Manufacturing Plant (P.Z.W.A.N.N. - Pomorskie Zaklady Wytworcze Aparatur Niskiego Napiecia) is located in the eastern part of Torun, between a street to Robinkowo and ul. 22 Lipca, about 200 meters east of the point where the streets meet. (See sketch # 1.) The plant is comparatively new; its construction began in 1947 or later. In September 1953 the upper left part of the main production building (No. 7 on sketch No. 2) was still under construction (inside finishing) although downstairs and in the right part production was already under way.
2. The plant receives completed parts from another factory (unknown to Source) and just puts them together, turning out transformers, meters and other electrical devices. On the third and fifth floor of the right part of the main production building Source saw warning signs on the doors prohibiting entrance. From friends who worked with him, he heard that ammunition was being produced there.
3. Deliveries and shipments were made by trucks, but Source does not know if these belonged to the plant. He thinks also that a railroad siding was under construction in the factory area, but is not sure of this.
4. Source is not able to estimate even approximately the number of employees working at the plant. He knows only that they worked on three shifts (times unknown to Source), at least half of them were women, and that as far as he knew, many of the employees were leaving the plant, looking for other jobs because of poor pay.
5. The entire plant is surrounded by a wire mesh fence about two meters high, with barbed wire on top, and is guarded by the Industrial Guard. All workers have special permanent green passes with pictures. Source, while working there, had a dark green pass without photo valid for one month only, but,

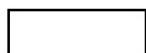
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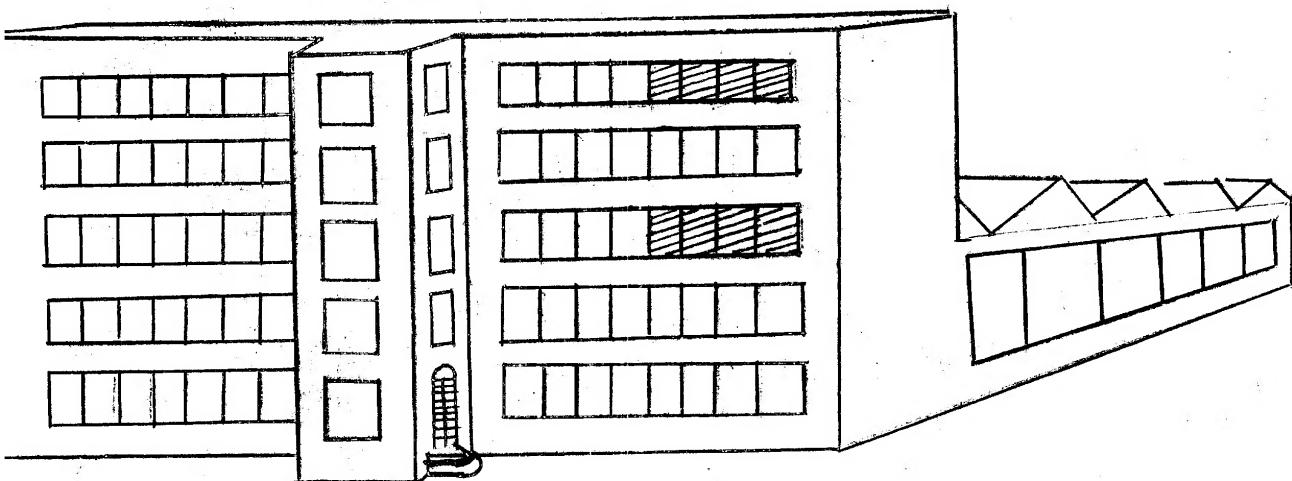
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when entering or leaving subject plant, he had to show his identity card in addition. When leaving the plant all employees were checked by three men of the Industrial Guard at the gate (No. 9 on sketch No. 2), where their pockets, bags, etc. were searched. Women were searched inside the guard shed.

SKETCH NO. I

Main production building of the Pomeranian Low Tension Apparatus Manufacturing Plant in Torun.



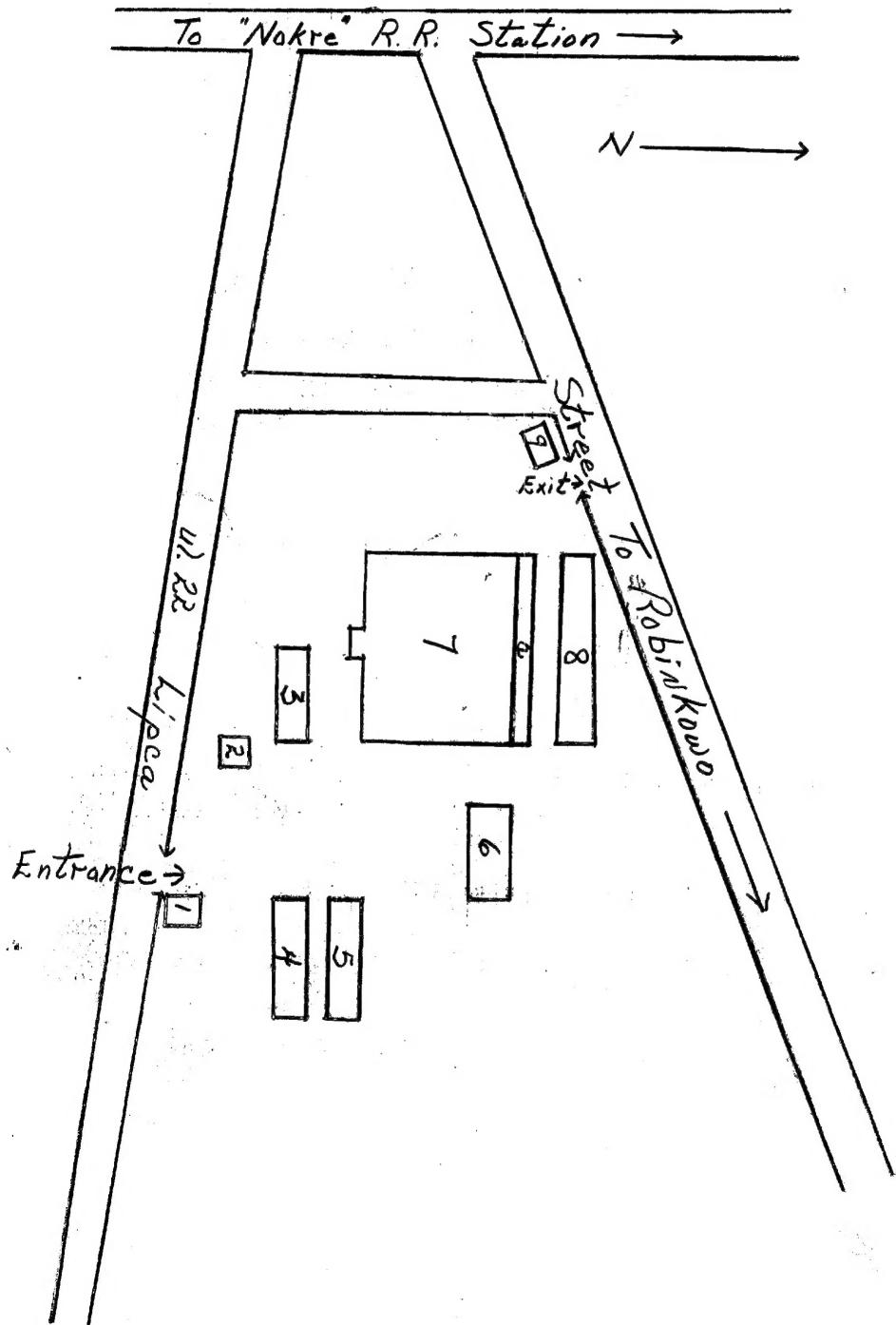
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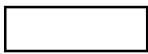
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SKETCH II Memory sketch of the PZWANN (Pomeranian Low Tension Machinery Plant) at Torun.



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Legend to Sketch No. 2.

1. Small wooden shed for the watchman and one man from the Industrial Guard.
2. Office of the Industrial Guard commander who signs new passes.
3. Wooden barrack, offices and stores.
4. & 5. Newly constructed one story building, made of brick, light-grey in color, containing offices.
6. Two-story engine-room, made of brick.
7. Main production building, about 150 meters long and 120 meters wide, five stories (rear part, 1 story), light grey plaster exterior, big windows, flat roof (roof of the rear part is made of glass). (a.) A loading platform. Inside the building there are elevators. The protruding part in the front of the building is a staircase.
8. Store, long brick building, one story; dimensions 100 x 10 meters.
9. Small shed for Industrial Guards who check the workers as they leave the plant.

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